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Prior Application No: 09/265,385

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**REQUEST FORM FOR CONTINUING PROSECUTION
APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Box CPA
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: March 19, 2001

Sir:

This is a request for filing a [X] continuation [] divisional application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (Continuing Prosecution Application) of prior Application No. 09/265,385, filed on March 10, 1999, for PLASTIC CONTAINER, AND METHOD OF AND DEVICE FOR SUPPLYING PHOTOGRAPHIC PROCESSING CHEMICALS USING THE PLASTIC CONTAINER by the following named inventor(s):

(a) Full Name Kimiyoshi UCHIYAMA
(b) Full Name _____
(c) Full Name _____

This application is being filed by less than all the inventors named in the prior application. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d)(4), the Commissioner is requested to delete the name(s) of the following person or persons who are not inventors of the invention being claimed in this application:

(a) Full Name _____
(b) Full Name _____
(c) Full Name _____

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The above-identified prior application is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. Please use all the contents of the prior application file wrapper, including the drawings, as the basic papers for the new application. (Note: 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) must be used for applications where the prior application is not to be abandoned.)

It is understood that secrecy under 35 U.S.C. § 122 is hereby waived to the extent that if information or access is available to any one of the applications in the file wrapper of a 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) application, be it either this application or a prior application in the same file wrapper, the Patent and Trademark Office may provide similar information or access to all other applications in the same file wrapper.

Applicant(s) hereby requests that the above-captioned application **NOT BE PUBLISHED** under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.211. The undersigned hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

Applicant(s) suggests Figure 1 for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.

1. Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least __, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this CPA, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.
2. Enter the amendment previously filed on __ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, but unentered, in the prior application.
3. The election made previously in the prior application does not carry over to this application.
4. A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
5. Small entity status is hereby claimed.
6. The filing fee is calculated below on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 1 and 3 above:

CLAIMS					
	NO. OF CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEES
Basic Application Fee					\$710.00 (101)
Total Claims	24	MINUS 20 =	4	× \$18.00 (103) =	72.00
Independent Claims	4	MINUS 3 =	1	× \$80.00 (102) =	80.00
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$270.00 (104)					0.00
Total Application Fee					862.00
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee					0.00
TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE					862.00

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7. This application is being filed without a filing fee. Issuance of a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is respectfully requested.

8. A check in the amount of \$ 862.00 is enclosed for the fee due.

9. Charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.

10. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

11. Priority of Application No. 10-087747, filed on March 31, 1998, in Japan (country) is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.

The certified copy of the priority application

is enclosed

was filed on August 3, 1999 in prior Application No. 09/265,385, filed on March 10, 1999, and acknowledged by the Examiner on March 30, 2000 in Paper No. 3

has not yet been filed.

12. Also enclosed Petition for Third Month Extension of Time.

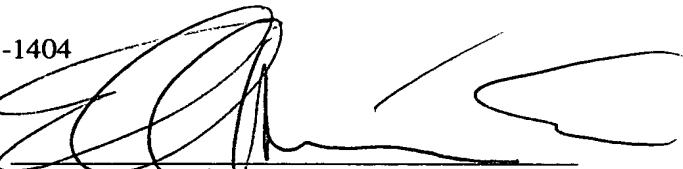
13. The power of attorney in the prior application is to Platon N. Mandros.

- The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
- Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- Recognize as Associate Attorney or Agent Ellen Marcie Emas, Registration No. 32,131.
- Address all future communications to: (May only be completed by applicant, or attorney or agent of record.)

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